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In re the Application of: **TANI, Kuniyuki et al.**

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For: **METHOD FOR REUSING RESOURCE FOR DESIGNING OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIER, LAYOUT GENERATING APPARATUS, AND LAYOUT GENERATING PROGRAM**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 23, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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